

Ballarat China Community Committee

Presents

Big Shot's Funeral

(Chinese and English Language Comedy)

Regent Theatre

11.00 am, Sunday 18th May 2003

Cost: \$15.00

(film and light lunch)

The most successful film ever released in China directed by Feng Xiaoping starring celebrated actor Ge You (winner of the Best Actor award in Cannes for his role in *To Live*) and acclaimed American actor, Donald Sutherland.

Story : The most acclaimed director in the world is about to create his greatest comedy : His funeral.

World-renowned and award-winning film director, Don Tyler (Donald Sutherland) is suffering from a mid-life crisis. His current project, a remake of *The Last Emperor*, is over-budget and under-inspired. When the movie studio boss (Paul Mazursky) shows up to fire him, Tyler collapses and is raced to hospital. Before lapsing into a coma he makes one last request: that his cameraman Yo Yo arrange a "comedy funeral" for his final send-off!

Thus the adventure begins as Yo Yo hires his mega-promoter friend Louis (Ying Da) to pull it all together. But the funeral becomes more elaborate when it's revealed that Tyler has no money. Louis secures advertising and sponsorships that rival the Olympics. Soon it is out of control and becomes the biggest event in the history of the City.

Tickets available from Members of the Ballarat China
Community Committee, the Regent Theatre
or phone Robyn Boyd on 5320 5620.